

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
HEALTH POLICY**

Tuesday, September 12, 2006

10:30 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Health Policy was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Nofs, Ball, Kahn, Green, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.

Members absent/excused: Rep. Newell.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2006 meeting. Representative Adamini supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 6300 before the committee.

**HB 6300 Hildenbrand** Occupations; emergency medical technicians; experience required for licensure as an emergency medical services instructor-coordinator; revise.

Representative Dave Hildenbrand, sponsor of HB 6300 testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Edward Braman of the Plainfield Township Fire Department testified in support of the bill.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bill, but did not wish to testify:

Charles Vribley of the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health.

Representative Hune moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6300. Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 13-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Hune moved to report HB 6300 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Robertson supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 13-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Hune, Nofs, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 6291, HB 6292, HB 6293, and HB 6295 before the committee

<b>HB 6291 Steil</b>	Health; research; statewide network of cord blood stem cell banks; create.
<b>HB 6292 Hoogendyk</b>	Income tax; credit; tax credit for donation of cord blood; provide for.
<b>HB 6293 Mortimer</b>	Health; research; develop and disseminate certain educational materials on the uses and benefits of cord blood stem cells; require.
<b>HB 6295 David Law</b>	State; funds; Michigan strategic fund act; revise definition of life science, and expand to include umbilical blood research.

Stacey Hettiger of the House Republican Policy Office testified on the bills. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Representative Leslie Mortimer, sponsor of HB 6293, and Representative Jacob Hoogendyk, sponsor of HB 6292, testified in support of the bills. Representative Hoogendyk also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Voravit Ratanatharathorn, M.D. of the Karmanos Cancer Institute testified in support of the bills. Dr. Ratanatharathorn also submitted written testimony. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Suane Thompson of Right To Life Of Michigan testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Mary Banfill of Michigan Community Blood Centers testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Curtis Hertel Jr. of the Michigan Department of Community Health testified in support of HB 6291 and HB 6293. Questions and discussion among committee members followed.

Dave Finkbeiner of the Michigan Health and Hospital Association testified in support of the bills.

The following individuals submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to testify:

Paul Long of the Michigan Catholic Conference.

Felicia Wasson of St. John Health.

Peggy Johnson of the Michigan Department of Treasury submitted a card indicating a neutral position on HB 6292, but did not wish to testify.

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6291. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Adamini offered the following amendment to substitute (H-1) of HB 6291:

1. Amend page 1, line 1, after “(1)” by inserting “**IF FUNDING IS MADE AVAILABLE,**”.

Representative Adamini moved to adopt the amendment. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 14-1-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: Rep. Hune.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Wojno moved to report HB 6291 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-2). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6292. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Nofs offered the following amendments to substitute (H-1) of HB 6292:

1. Amend page 2, line 4, after “2006,” by striking out “**IF**” and inserting “**A TAXPAYER MAY CLAIM BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:**

(A) **IF**”.

2. Amend page 2, following line 8, by inserting:

“(B) **IF THE TAXPAYER BANKS CORD BLOOD IN A PRIVATE CORD BLOOD STEM CELL BANK AND THAT CORD BLOOD IS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE TAXPAYER OR A MEMBER OF THE TAXPAYER’S FAMILY, THE TAXPAYER MAY CLAIM A CREDIT EQUAL TO \$100.00 IN THE YEAR OF THE DONATION. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE TAXPAYER BANKS CORD BLOOD AS PART OF A DESIGNATED FREE BLOOD COLLECTION AND STORAGE PROGRAM.**”.

3. Amend page 2, line 13, after “**SECTION**” by striking out the comma and ““**CORD**” and inserting a colon and “(A) **“CORD**”.

4. Amend page 2, following line 15, by inserting

“(B) **“FAMILY MEMBER MEANS A DONOR CHILD OR A RELATIVE WITHIN THE SECOND DEGREE OF CONSANGUINITY TO THE DONOR.”**

(C) **“PRIVATE CORD BLOOD STEM CELL BANK” MEANS A NONGOVERNMENTAL NONPUBLIC CORD STEM CELL BANK THAT IS BOTH REGISTERED WITH THE FEDERAL DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND ACCREDITED BY THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF BLOOD BANKS.”.**

Representative Green moved to adopt the amendments. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 11-3-1.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Gleason,**

**Nays: Reps. Wojno, McDowell, Clack.**

**Pass: Rep. Angerer.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6292 with recommendation as amended, as substitute (H-2). Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Mortimer moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6293. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6293 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6295 with recommendation. Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

The Chair laid HB 6359 before the committee.

**HB 6359 Ball**

Insurance; health; medicare supplement policies; modify.

Brian Sydnor of the Office of Financial and Insurance Services testified in support of the bill. Mr. Sydnor also submitted written testimony.

Representative Adamini moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 6359. Representative Gleason supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Robertson moved to report HB 6359 with recommendation as substitute (H-1). Representative Adamini supported the motion. **The motion prevailed 15-0-0.**

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

**Yeas: Reps. Gaffney, Robertson, Vander Veen, Hune, Ward, Ball, Green, Kahn, Mortimer, Adamini, Wojno, McDowell, Gleason, Angerer, Clack.**

**Nays: None.**

**Pass: None.**

Representative Ball moved to excuse the absence of Representative Newell. Representative Vander Veen supported the motion. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

**Representative Edward Gaffney, Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

Dan Stump, Committee Clerk.  
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